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Application No.: 10/052,655

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Title: SELECTIVELY REMOVABLE TIE-DOWN STRAP WINCH ASSEMBLY FOR A TRAILER OR TRUCK

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